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REMARKS

Claims 1 – 52 are pending in the present application. Claims 1 – 52 have been allowed. Claims 53 – 83 have been added.

Claims 53 – 83 are the claims that were set forth in the copending continuation application, Serial No. 11/101,833. Claims 53 – 83 were all allowed in the related application. The Examiner notified Applicants that a terminal disclaimer would be required in Serial No. 11/101,833, or the case would be withdrawn from allowance. Although Applicants contend that Claims 53 – 83 are patentably distinct from Claims 1 – 52, in order to reduce costs associated with issuing and maintaining the patents and with setting forth remarks as to the distinctiveness of the claims, Applicants have hereby combined the claims of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 11/101,833 into the present application. No amendments were made to Claims 53 – 83 besides correcting the claim numbers and dependencies. These amendments are in accordance with the discussion with the Examiner on March 30, 2006.

The specification has been amended consistent with the amendments to the specification in U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 11/101,833. As described in a Preliminary Amendment therein, these amendments were to correct typographical errors and to describe the features illustrated in Figure 2. Support for the amendments to the specification can at least be found in the application as originally filed as well as in the provisional applications to which it claims priority, and in the figures, e.g., Figure 2.

No new matter has been added by this amendment. Entrance of the amendment is respectfully requested.

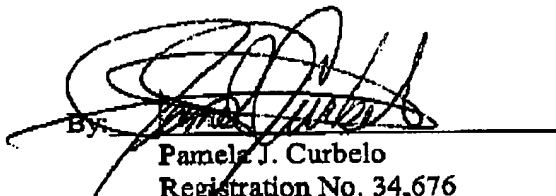
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If there are any questions or issues with respect to this 1.312 Amendment, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned.

If there are any additional charges with respect to this Amendment, or otherwise, please charge them to Deposit Account No. 50-1131.

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